

# GROWING CONNECTICUT JOBS

Since the global recession began in 2008, 100,000 Connecticut workers have lost their jobs. It's time to get them back. My top priority is growing and protecting jobs, and I have worked with my Senate Democratic colleagues to craft a plan to get Connecticut working again.

**MORE ABOUT OUR JOBS PLAN AVAILABLE ONLINE:**

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Small businesses account for 97 percent of all Connecticut employers; we need to make it easier for them to grow.

## The Senate Democrats' Jobs Plan Would

- Reduce taxes for at least 46,000 small 'mom & pop' businesses, including as many as 556 such businesses in Manchester
- Create a business loan fund and help businesses get the credit they need
- Reduce bureaucratic red tape for businesses by consolidating the state's economic development agencies

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## How We're Paying for It

Senate Bill 1 includes a temporary surcharge on million-dollar bonuses given by banks that received TARP federal bailout funds – with all the revenue going to help small businesses.

### ACCORDING TO THE HARTFORD COURANT:

*"...passing legislation to retain and create jobs is the most important item on the General Assembly's agenda this session... Senate Bill 1 could be a showcase for bipartisan cooperation..."*